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SUBJECT: PROPOSED PUBLICATION OF SANTIAGO"AFSA DIRECTORY"

1. PURSUANT TO THE SECURITY GUIDELINES DEVELOPED BY THE STATE/CIA GROUP UNDER YOUR DIRECTION, THE EMBASSY NO LONGER PUBLISHES A LOCAL PHONE DIRECTORY LISTING HOME ADDRESSES, HOME PHONE NUMBERS, AND EMBASSY SECTION AFFILIATIONS OF INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES. EVEN BEFORE RECEIVING THE NEW GUIDELINES, WE HAD TAKEN THIS STEP BECAUSE OF THE ALLEGED DISCOVERY BY CHILEAN SECURITY FORCES (DINA) OF A COPY OF THE EMBASSY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY DURING A RAID ON A HIDEOUT OF THE LOCAL TERRORIST OUTFIT, THE MOVEMENT OF THE REVOLUTIONARY LEFT (MIR).
2. AFSA SANTIAGO RECENTLY REQUESTED THAT THE EMBASSY REINSTITUTE PUBLICATION OF AN EMBASSY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY WITH HOME PHONE NUMBERS. THIS REQUEST WAS TURNED DOWN FOR OBVIOUS SECURITY REASONS.
3. IN A MEMORANDUM TO ALL AMERICAN PERSONNEL, DATED AUGUST 7, 1976, AFSA SANTIAGO ANNOUNCED ITS PLANS TO PUBLISH ITS OWN UNOFFICIAL DIRECTORY. THE PROPOSED DIRECTORY WILL CONTAIN THE NAME OF THE EMPLOYEE, FIRST NAME OF SPOUSE, SECTION, AND HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO WISH TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS DIRECTORY.

4. THE REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER DISCUSSED THE REASONS FOR NO
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LONGER PUBLISHING AN EMBASSY DIRECTORY WITH THE AFSA SANTIAGO

PRESIDENT AND OFFERED A VIABLE ALTERNATIVE, I.E., THE MARINE
ON DUTY WOULD PROVIDE HOME PHONE NUMBERS TO OUR AMERICAN EMPLOYEES.
AFSA DID NOT CONCUR.

5. THE AFSA CHAPTER'S INTENTION TO PUBLISH THEIR "UNOFFICIAL
DIRECTORY" CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH OUR EFFORTS TO SAFEGUARD
PERSONNEL SERVING ABROAD. EMPLOYEES COULD BE ENDANGERED EITHER
BY INCLUSION OR EXCLUSION. SINCE THE AFSA CHAPTER IS UNDERTAKING
THIS ENTERPRISE WITH ITS OWN FUNDS, ITS OWN TIME, AND ONLY
INCLUDING THE NAMES OF EMPLOYEES WHO VOLUNTEER TO BE INCLUDED,
IT IS NOT CLEAR TO ME THAT THERE ARE ANY LEGAL OR PROCEDURAL
MEANS TO HALT THE ACTION. I WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S
GUIDANCE ON THIS POINT.

6. IN ADDITION, BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS MATTER AND THE
FACT THAT IT HAS WORLDWIDE APPLICABILITY, I BELIEVE THE DEPARTMENT
SHOULD RAISE THE SUBJECT WITH AFSA WASHINGTON. AFSA'S AGREEMENT TO
GUIDELINES WHICH WOULD PREVENT CHAPTERS AROUND THE WORLD FROM
PUBLISHING "UNOFFICIAL DIRECTORIES" ON LOCAL INITIATIVE SHOULD BE
NEGOTIATED.
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